

Thursday, August 3, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared farm bill for President.

Senate worked on defense appropriations.

House approved Home Loan Bank Board reorganization.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14473-14479

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2369-2377; S. Con. Res. 37; and S. Res. 189. Pages 14474-14475, 14543

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2079, providing for retrocession of jurisdiction to North Carolina over an area near Camp Lejeune (S. Rept. 656);

H.R. 181, permitting enlistment in the Army and Air Force by aliens lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residence (S. Rept. 657);

H.R. 4321, authorizing transportation of dependents and household effects of certain retired military personnel (S. Rept. 658);

H.R. 7657, to amend the Uniform Code of Military Justice to provide specific authority for prosecution of bad check offenses (S. Rept. 659);

H.R. 7722, to provide that Medical Service Corps officers may exercise command outside the Army Medical Service when directed by proper authority (S. Rept. 660);

S. 1240, authorizing the lending of certain military equipment in connection with the senior roundup of the Girl Scouts scheduled for July 1962 in Vermont (S. Rept. 661);

H.R. 4323, to amend the Career Compensation Act with respect to special pay for diving duty (S. Rept. 662); and

S. Res. 189, authorizing an additional \$10,000 for expenditure by the Committee on Armed Services (no written report). Pages 14542-14543

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 14473

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Government Operations was discharged from further consideration of S. 2180, to establish a Disarmament Agency for World Peace and Security, and the bill was then rereferred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 14543

Compact—Nebraska—Wyoming—South Dakota: Senate passed without amendment S. 2245, extending

the time for negotiation of compacts by the States of Nebraska, Wyoming, and South Dakota. Page 14506

Legislative Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H.R. 7208, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Legislative Branch.

In this connection, Senate concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment No. 52 (special foreign currency program). Pages 14506-14508

Farm Bill: Conference report on S. 1643, proposed Agricultural Act of 1961, was adopted. Pages 14518-14525

Defense Appropriations: Senate considered H.R. 7851, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Defense Establishment, taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: All committee amendments en bloc which were thereafter considered as original text for purpose of further amendment; Williams (Delaware) amendment, validating bonus pay received by enlisted members of Air Force serving on Texas towers and authorizing refund of any such payments that have been repaid to U.S.; and Robertson amendment respecting funds for civil defense activities, Department of Defense; and

Rejected: By 4 yeas to 87 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Proxmire amendment to reduce by \$525 million funds for aircraft procurement (long-range manned bombers), Air Force.

Pending at adjournment was modified Mundt amendment to add language to extend for 3 years legislation dealing with aid to schools in federally impacted areas. The time remaining under an agreement to limit debate on this amendment was allocated to debate on the bill after morning business tomorrow. Pages 14479, 14485-14506, 14508-14518, 14525-14528, 14532, 14537-14539

Drought Relief: S. 2197, to provide additional relief for disaster areas under the Soil Bank Act, was cleared for White House when Senate concurred in House amendment thereto. Page 14539

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 14543

Nominations: Senate received two civilian nominations, including that of Frank A. Southard, Jr., of New

York, to be U.S. Director of International Monetary Fund; and four judicial nominations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, AND JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, marked up and ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H.R. 7371, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, and the Judiciary.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session ordered favorably reported the nomination of John E. Cosgrove, to be an Assistant Director of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization; H.R. 4323, to amend the Career Compensation Act with respect to special pay for diving duty; H.R. 7657, to amend the Uniform Code of Military Justice to provide specific authority for prosecution of bad check offenses; H.R. 7722, to provide that Medical Service Corps officers may exercise command outside the Army Medical Service when directed by proper authority; H.R. 4321, authorizing transportation of dependents and household effects of certain retired military personnel; H.R. 181, permitting enlistment in the Army and Air Force by aliens lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residence; S. 1240, authorizing the lending of certain military equipment in connection with the senior roundup of the Girl Scouts scheduled for July 1962 in Vermont; S. 2079, providing for retrocession of jurisdiction to North Carolina over an area near Camp Lejeune; and 286 nominations in the Army and Marine Corps.

Prior to this action, in open session, testimony was received on items as indicated from the following witnesses: On the nomination of Mr. Cosgrove—Senator Miller and Representative Smith of Iowa; on H.R. 4323—Capt. Arthur G. Esch, Bureau of Naval Personnel; on H.R. 7657—Maj. Gen. A. M. Kuhfeld, Judge Advocate General, Air Force; on H.R. 7722—Brig. Gen. Howard W. Doan, Office of the Surgeon General, Army; on H.R. 4321—Lt. Col. J. W. Scanlon, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Air Force; on H.R. 181—Lt. Col. George D. Styer, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Army; and on S. 1240—Lt. Col. William Konze, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Army.

STEAMSHIP CONFERENCES

Committee on Commerce: The Merchant Marine and Fisheries Subcommittee continued its hearings on H.R. 6775, to provide for the operation of steamship conferences, receiving written statements for the record from Ernest A. Lister, Bureau of Economic Affairs, Department of State; Lee Loevinger, Assistant Attorney Gen-

eral, Antitrust Division; and Thomas E. Stakem, member, Federal Maritime Board.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

D.C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Health held and concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 560, relating to the taking of a school census in the D.C., with testimony from C. Belden White II, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Wesley S. Williams, D.C. Board of Education, and Dr. Carl F. Hansen, Superintendent of Schools, all of the D.C.; and Don Goodloe, American Federation of Teachers;

S. 1762, to regulate the practice of physical therapy in the D.C., with testimony from C. Belden White; Dr. Frederick C. Heath, D.C. Department of Public Health; and Miss Margaret Sexton, D.C. Physical Therapy Association;

S. 557, to amend the act, authorizing D.C. Commissioners to remove dangerous or unsafe buildings, S. 563, relating to collections of assessments on condemned buildings, and H.R. 7154, authorizing D.C. Commissioners to regulate the keeping and running at large of dogs, with testimony from C. Belden White; and

S. 2194, 2346, and 2347, proposing amendments to the D.C. Unemployment Compensation Act, with testimony from Robert F. Kneipp, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D.C.; Edgar L. Lickey, D.C. Unemployment Compensation Board; Walter Mason and J. C. Turner, both of the AFL-CIO; Frank A. Gunther, Metropolitan Washington Board of Trade; and Andrew Johnson, D.C. Trucking Association.

PEACE CORPS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its executive consideration of S. 2000, to provide for the establishment of a Peace Corps, but did not conclude action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

GREAT BASIN NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on S. 1760, to establish the Great Basin National Park, Nev., with testimony from Senator Cannon; Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall, who was accompanied by his associates; Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief, U.S. Forest Service; Darwin Lambert, president, Great Basin National Park Service; William Gravelle, Nevada Fish and Game Commission; and Louis Clapper, National Wildlife Federation.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, in executive session, approved for full committee consideration with amendments S.J. Res. 18, proposing an amendment to the

Constitution authorizing Governors to fill temporary vacancies in the House of Representatives.

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of staff reports resulting from hearings during this session of Congress on the subjects of wiretapping and constitutional rights of the mentally ill.

The subcommittee took no action, and recessed subject to call.

HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health held hearings on S. 1071 and H.R. 4998, proposed Community Health Services and Facilities Act, receiving testimony from Dr. Boisseuillet Jones, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (Health and Medical Affairs); Dr. Luther L. Terry, Surgeon General, who was accompanied by Dr. James Shannon, Director, NIH, Dr. Theodore Bauer, Chief, Bureau of State Services, and Dr. Jack Haldeman, Chief, Division of Hospital and Medical Facilities, all of the Public Health Service; Dr. Paul Gross, American Association for the Advancement of Science; Dr. I. S. Ravdin, vice president of medical affairs, University of Pennsylvania; and Dr. Ernest L. Stebbins, representing the Association of Schools of

Public Health and the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of William J. Hartigan, to be an Assistant Postmaster General (Transportation).

Prior to this action, in open session, favoring testimony was heard from Senator Smith of Massachusetts and Representative Lane. The nominee was present to testify and answer questions in his own behalf.

SMALL BUSINESS—COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Subcommittee on Monopoly continued its hearings in connection with policies regarding ownership of space communications satellites, with testimony from Dr. Leland L. Johnson, an economist of the Rand Corp., who presented his own views; Dallas Smythe, an economist, University of Illinois; Dr. Engstrom, of RCA; Dr. H. Trotter and T. F. Brophy, both of the General Telephone & Electronics Corp.; and Courtland Gross, president, Lockheed Aircraft Corp.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 8484-8512; 4 private bills, H.R. 8513-8516; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 515, and H. Res. 402-406, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 1222, relating to the documentation and inspection of U.S. vessels (H. Rept. 840);

S. 685, relating to personnel of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, amended (H. Rept. 841);

H.R. 2292, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue certificates of honorable discharge (H. Rept. 842);

H.R. 3156, to make the Panama Canal Company immune from attachment or garnishment of salaries owed to its employees (H. Rept. 843);

H. Res. 404, providing for disagreeing to Senate amendments to H.R. 7576, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, and requesting a conference with the Senate (H. Rept. 844);

H.R. 206, facilitating administration of the fishery loan fund established by the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (H. Rept. 845);

S. 606, providing for construction of a shell fisheries research center at Milford, Conn. (H. Rept. 846);

S. 1289, to eliminate the oath requirement with respect to certain export manifests (H. Rept. 847);

H. Res. 405, waiving points of order against and providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 6302, to establish a teaching hospital for Howard University and to transfer Freedmen's Hospital to the University (H. Rept. 843); and

H. Res. 406, providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on H.R. 6882, to provide for one additional Assistant Secretary of Labor in the Department of Labor (H. Rept. 849).

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Independent Offices Appropriations: Permission was granted the conferees on H.R. 7445, making appropriations for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices for fiscal year 1962, to file a conference report thereon by midnight Friday.

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Federal Employees' Travel Allowance Increase: H.R. 3279, to increase the maximum rates of per diem allowance for employees of the Government traveling on official business, was cleared for Presidential consid-

eration by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto.

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Legislative Appropriations: The House adopted the conference report on H.R. 7208, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1962, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Senate amendments Nos. 44 and 52 were reported in disagreement and on which the House took the following actions: Receded and concurred in amendment 44 providing \$26,790 for expenses of the Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures.

On amendment No. 52 relative to collection and distribution of library materials (special foreign currency program) the House receded and concurred with an amendment to delete the proviso making \$363,500 available until expended.

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Labor-HEW Appropriations: Objection was made to an effort to take H.R. 7035, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies for fiscal year 1962, from the Speaker's table and send it to conference with the Senate.

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Reorganization (Federal Home Loan Bank Board): By a voice vote the House rejected a preferential motion to discharge the Committee on Government Operations from further consideration of H. Res. 335, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 6 providing for the reorganization of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. This action in effect approves the plan.

Pages 14548-14554

Farm Program: By a record vote of 225 yeas to 170 nays the House adopted the conference report on S. 1643, proposed Agricultural Act of 1961, and thus cleared the legislation for Presidential consideration.

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Federal Communications Commission: By a record vote of 198 yeas to 151 nays the House passed H.R. 7856, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, for the purpose of facilitating the prompt and orderly conduct of the business of the Federal Communications Commission, after adopting several clarifying and perfecting amendments. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 2034, a similar bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the House-passed language.

H. Res. 400, the open rule under which the bill was considered, had been adopted earlier by a voice vote.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of August 9.

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Foreign Aid: The Committee on Foreign Affairs was granted permission to file by midnight Saturday a report on H.R. 8400, to promote the foreign policy, security, and general welfare of the U.S. by assisting peoples

of the world in their efforts toward economic and social development and internal and external security.

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Bills Referred: Four Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee for Special Investigation continued consideration, in executive session, of military sole source procurement. Heard testimony from Department of Army officials. The subcommittee will continue, on this subject, in executive session, Friday, August 4.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H.R. 6672, to amend the Small Business Investment Act. Heard testimony from Representative Multer; and public witnesses. Hearings continue Friday, August 4.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations heard testimony regarding civil defense from Frank B. Ellis, Director, Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization; Adam Yarmolinsky, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense; and Defense Department witnesses.

SALINE WATER CONVERSION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, in executive session, ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 7916 (amended), to expand and extend the saline water conversion program being conducted by the Secretary of the Interior.

WAR CLAIMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance concluded hearings on H.R. 7479, and related bills, to amend the War Claims Act of 1948, to provide compensation for certain World War II losses; and H.R. 5028, and related bills, to amend the Trading With the Enemy Act. Heard Representatives Robison and Mack; and public witnesses.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Aeronautics heard testimony from public witnesses on H.R. 2483, relating to registration of State certificates whereby a common carrier by motor vehicle may engage in interstate

and foreign commerce within a State. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MIGRATION—REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 concluded hearings on H.R. 8291, the migration and refugee assistance authorization bill. Heard testimony from Abraham A. Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; Roger W. Jones, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration; and James L. Hennessy, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice.

ARMY—AIR NATIONAL GUARD

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee, S. 935, for the relief of certain members of the Army National Guard of the U.S. and the Air National Guard of the U.S.; also several private claims bills.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the House the following bills:

H.R. 29, to permit the appointment of U.S. nationals to the Merchant Marine Academy;

S. 880, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to accept gifts and bequests of personal property for the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy;

H.R. 3296 (amended), to authorize the Secretary of Interior to nominate citizens of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to be cadet-midshipmen at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy;

H.R. 6732 (amended), to encourage the construction and maintenance of American-flag vessels built in American shipyards;

H.R. 2308 (amended), to amend the Ship Mortgage Act;

H.R. 6309 (amended), to increase certain limitations in payments on account of operating-differential subsidy; and

H.R. 6974 (amended), to amend section 607(b) of the Merchant Marine Act.

The committee agreed to report favorably to the House S. 685 (amended) to amend the Coast and Geodetic Survey Commissioned Officers Act of 1948, after reconsidering H.R. 4229 (same title as above), a bill previously ordered reported favorably to the House.

POST OFFICE—CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the House the following bills:

H.R. 7532, to authorize crediting to current appropriations of certain routine collections made in the course of postal operations;

H.R. 7416, to provide for accounting adjustments charging individual appropriations of the Census

Bureau for certain materials and services financed from a single appropriation but chargeable to several;

H.R. 4975 (amended), to permit the entry and mailing as second-class mail of publications of elementary and secondary institutions of learning;

H.R. 2587 (amended), to extend the postage rates for books and other educational materials to 8-mm. films and 8-mm. film catalogs for educational use;

H.R. 7061 (amended), to authorize payment (to widows or estates) for compensatory time credited to postal employees which is unused at time of their deaths;

H.R. 7021, to provide that civilian officers and employees of the U.S. shall not be required to occupy Government quarters unless the head of the agency concerned makes certain determinations; and

H.R. 1010, to provide a formula for guaranteeing a minimum increase when an employee is promoted from one grade to another.

SECRETARY OF LABOR

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, with 1 hour debate, on H.R. 6882, to provide for one additional Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Witnesses heard on granting of a rule were Representatives Green and Hansen.

ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule (H. Res. 404) to take H.R. 7576, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, from the Speaker's table and request a conference with the Senate thereon.

Testimony was heard from Representatives Holifield, Van Zandt, Hosmer, and Bates.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 1 hour of debate, on H.R. 6302, to establish a teaching hospital for Howard University, and to transfer Freedmen's Hospital to the university.

Witnesses heard on granting of a rule were Representatives Green and Giaimo.

AIRCRAFT DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Heard James H. Wakelin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development; Vice Adm. Robert B. Pirie, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Air; Comdr. A. H. Vito; and Vice Adm. John T. Hayward, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Development, on aircraft development. Hearings were concluded.

HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES—AGED

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on the President's proposal for hospitalization services for the aged under social security. Heard public witnesses. Hearings continue Friday, August 4.